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**Subject:** RE: Mining Information Sessions - Newhalen & Dillingham - June 1-3

Thank you Tami, we'll help get the word out.

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To: Jason Metrokin

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Subject: Mining Information Sessions - Newhalen & Dillingham - June 1-3

Dear Mr. Metrokin,

I wanted to let you know that EPA has confirmed the mining information sessions for Dillingham and Newhalen. The ad that will be going in the Bristol Bay Times is attached. I am working out the final agendas but I wanted to share the draft versions with you. There is a link on the Pebble Watch page that discusses the mining training and I believe there might be a misunderstanding about what the mining information session will cover.

The mining information sessions are a joint effort by EPA and the Alaska Department of Natural Resources (ADNR) to share information about the environmental review and permitting process for large mines. EPA and ADNR have presented these sessions in other communities where mines are proposed. Since the Pebble Partnership has not submitted permit applications or a project description for the proposed Pebble Mine we will not be going over any details of that project. Of course, we will share what we know about their proposals and make the training as relevant as possible, however it is still general in terms of describing

potential impacts from mining and how those are mitigated and permitted. The draft agenda is below. As soon as the presentation materials are finalized I will send those to you as well.

Since people will be coming in for the mining training we thought it would be good to share an update on the Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment. There will be several opportunities to talk with Senior EPA Leaders about the Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment. One will be Wednesday evening (June 1st) in Newhalen from 7-9PM. In addition, on Thursday the Senior EPA leaders will be traveling to Ekwok, New Stuyahok, and Koliganak to meet with community members and tribal leaders in regards to the Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment. Lastly, there will be one held during the Mining Information session in Dillingham on Friday, from 1030AM-12PM.

EPA is working on getting a fact sheet out about the Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment and as soon as it is available I will be sure you receive a copy.

The Senior EPA Leaders that will be traveling include:  
Bob Sussman, Senior Policy Advisor to the Administrator, Washington, D.C.  
Nancy Stoner, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, Washington, D.C.  
Dennis McLerran, Regional Administrator, Region 10, Seattle, WA

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.  
Sincerely - Tami

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